Minutes Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) Board

Closed Session February 14, 2018

233 Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Chicago, Illinois

I. Call to Order

Vice Chair Carolyn Schofield of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) Board called the meeting to order at approximately 11:17 a.m.

A motion, by Mayor John Noak to move the Board to a closed session, in accordance with exception 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) of the open meetings act to review status of minutes of prior closed session meetings, was seconded by Mayor Al Larson. The meeting was held in the offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), 233 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois. Those present included: Frank Beal-representing the City of Chicago, Matt Brolley-representing Kendall County (via tele-conference), Franco Coladipietro-representing DuPage County (via tele-conference), Janel Forde-representing the City of Chicago, Al Larson-representing northwest Cook County, John Noak-representing Will County, Rick Reinbold-representing south suburban Cook County, Carolyn Schofield-representing McHenry County, Peter Silvestri-representing Cook County, Matthew Walsh-representing suburban Cook County, Terry Weppler-representing Lake County, and non-voting members, Leanne Redden-representing the MPO Policy Committee and Justine Sydello-representing the Governor's office.

Also Present: Executive Director Joe Szabo, Deputy Executive Director for Finance and Administration Angela Manning-Hardimon and Sherry Kane.

II. Review of Prior Closed Session Minutes

Deputy Executive Director Angela Manning-Hardimon reported that the by-laws call for a periodic review of closed session minutes. The CMAP Board reviewed and approved the draft minutes of the meetings of January 11, May 10, and September 13, 2017, as presented. The Board also considered the status of previous closed session minutes and agreed that all closed session minutes should continue to remain confidential, and authorized the destruction of the recordings after 18 months from that date.

A question was raised regarding the continued confidentiality of the closed session minutes and if there would ever be a time when those would be released. Staff reported that due to the nature of the discussions in closed sessions (lease agreements and personnel matters, for example) it is preferred that the minutes remain confidential. Also asked if there ever been a consideration to release some of them had staff reporting that the material is reviewed and a determination is made as to what is appropriate to remain closed and what is appropriate to release. Another question about releasing redacted versions, had staff responding no and explaining that many of the meetings relate to the

performance evaluations of the Executive Director and lawsuits that are still pending, so the preference is to keep those closed until resolved. More current topics are related to the lease for office space and since we are currently exploring lease options, there may be a consideration to release those once the matter is resolved. A suggestion was also made to release some of them, and that before the next review, an opinion could be given as to what could be released. Finally, is there a time limit for how long the minutes are kept confidential? No, staff responded, merely based on relevance. Has there ever been a FOIA request to review the minutes? Again, staff responded no.

III. Adjournment

At 11: 25 a.m., a motion to adjourn the session made by Mayor John Noak was seconded by Mayor Al Larson. All in favor, the motion carried.

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Approved as presented, by unanimous vote, September 12, 2018; authorized for release September 12, 2018